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1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-221994, published August 9, 2002 (with English abstract);
2. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-162998, published June 7, 2002 (with English abstract).
3. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2003-249957, published September 5, 2003 (with English abstract).

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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(CITED LITERATURE): 1 and 2

(REMARKS):

A communication method whereby data representing a plurality of time segment information is multiplexed within a single packet to enable the reproduction of information by using another packet when one packet is discarded is well known, as described in Cited Literature 1 (see especially Figure 4 and the explanatory text) and 2 (see Figure 3 and the explanatory text).

Therefore, the invention described in Claims 1 through 17 of the present application is not found to have any remarkable differences from Cited Literature 1 and 2, and does not go beyond something that could have been easily accomplished by a person skilled in the art.

If any reasons for rejection are newly discovered, a notification of reasons for rejection will be issued.

List of Cited Literature

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication 2002-221994
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